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## Transmittal of Continuing Patent Application – Rule 1.53(b)

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please file a

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application of pending prior Application No. 09/967,018 filed on 09/28/01.

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Title: INLINE LAPPING OF MAGNETIC TAPE

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- Enclosed is a newly executed oath or declaration.
- Enclosed is a copy of the specification as filed in the prior application.
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- Please cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_.
- A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
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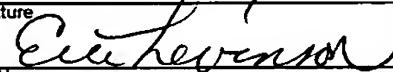
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